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katea and matai near Mapara Stream; and on Section 5 a fair-sized piece of bush comprising tawa, tawhero, rewarewa, a little pukatea and rata, and a dense undergrowth. The soil is a tufaceous loam, inferior to fair in quality, resting on rhyolite formation. The sections are well watered. Elevation varies from 510 ft. to 960 ft. above sea-level.

WAITOMO COUNTY.—TOTORO SURVEY DISTRICT.

A. R. P. £ s. d. £ s. d. £ s. d.
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 Situated on the Mangapehi Road. Access from Kopaki Railway-station, about six miles distant, by surveyed road. The present access is by bridle-track from the 10-mile peg on the Te Kuiti—Awakino Road, about four miles distant. This will eventually be the best access. The section comprises undulating and hilly fern and manuka land, of which a good proportion is ploughable. The soil is tufaceous loam of fair quality, resting on rhyolite formation, and the section is well watered. Elevation ranges from 510 ft. to 860 ft. above sea-level.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION.

The eastern boundary of this block is situated about two miles and a half down the Mokau Valley from the Puketutu Railway-station. The country is generally of rhyolite formation, and the parts growing very heavy fern should prove good. There is a little pumice in the Haupechi Valley. It is said to grow oats, cow-grass, and turnips fairly well with a little manure, and some of the Native land adjoining is under cultivation. Its nearness to the Main Trunk Railway should be a good help. A good deal of the block is ploughable. Until the roads are formed the settlers are to have the use of surveyor's pack-track. The roads will be easily formed and kept, and horses can now be taken down the Mokau Valley.

As witness the hand of His Excellency the Governor, this thirteenth day of August, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

H. D. BELL,
 For Minister of Lands.

Opening Lands in Taranaki Land District for Sale or Selection.

LIVERPOOL, Governor.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon me by the Land Act, 1908, I, Arthur William de Brito Savile, Earl of Liverpool, the Governor of the Dominion of New Zealand, having received the report of the Under-Secretary in this behalf, as provided by section one hundred and fifty-four of the said Act, do hereby declare that the lands described in the Schedule hereto shall be open for sale or selection on Tuesday, the twenty-first day of October, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen; and also that the lands mentioned in the said Schedule may, at the option of the applicant, be purchased for cash, or be selected for occupation with right of purchase, or on renewable lease; and I do hereby also fix the prices at which the said lands shall be sold, occupied, or leased, as mentioned in the said Schedule hereto, and do declare that the said lands shall be sold, occupied, or leased under and subject to the provisions of the Land Act, 1908.

SCHEDULE.

TARANAKI LAND DISTRICT.

Waitomo County.—Mapara Survey District.

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FIRST-CLASS LAND.

	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1 X	584 0 0	1,170 0 0	29 5 0	23 8 0
3 "	260 0 0	490 0 0	12 5 0	9 16 0

Situated on the Ohire Road, distant from three miles and three-quarters to four miles and a half from Mangapehi on the Main Trunk line, partly by formed road for three miles, and to Section 3 by a mile and Section 1 by a mile and a

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half of surveyed road as yet unformed. There is a rough horse-track now through the sections, but in places not on the surveyed road. Ellis and Burnand's tram-line runs to within half a mile of Section 3 and a mile and a half of Section 1. At Mangapehi there is a school, store, sawmill, and post and telephone office. Section 1 comprises steep country along the frontage and southern boundary rising to a ridge towards the back by good easy spurs. There is some poor country towards the south-eastern corner, which is mostly pumice, and covered with fern and light manuka. The rest is of fair quality. Section 3 comprises low-lying broken country on the frontage covered with fern and manuka, rising by easy sloping ridges towards the back. There is some first-class land towards the north-eastern boundary. About one-half of Section 3 is first-class sheep-country. The forest varies from light to heavy mixed bush of tawa, rimu, totara, rewarewa, hinau, matai, tawhero, &c., with a dense undergrowth of supplejacks, pongas, mahoe, raurekau, and ferns. The soil is generally rather light, of medium quality, resting on a rhyolite formation, and the sections are well watered. Elevation ranges from 1,145 ft. to 1,530 ft. above sea-level.

	A. R. P.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
2 X	350 0 0	540 0 0	19 15 0	15 16 0

Situated on an access road leading from the Ohirea Road, about five miles from Mangapehi Railway-station—by a fair formed road for three miles and a half and for two miles by surveyed road as yet unformed. Messrs. Ellis and Burnand's tramway-line runs to within two miles of the section. The section comprises a very small area of open land on the southern boundary and rises by easy slopes towards the northern boundary, with steep country on the north-eastern corner sloping towards the Herekawe Stream, along which there is some undulating open country ploughable and at present accessible for pack-horses. The forest varies from medium to heavy, comprising tawa, rimu, matai, totara, hinau, rewarewa, &c., and a dense undergrowth of supplejacks, mahoe, &c. The soil is of good quality generally, but light and inferior towards the north-east, and rests on rhyolite formation. The section is well watered. Elevation ranges from 1,260 ft. to 1,530 ft. above sea-level.

6 X	249 0 0	470 0 0	11 15 0	9 8 0
7 "	269 0 0	510 0 0	12 15 0	10 4 0

Situated at the junction of Ohirea and Ellis Roads, about three miles from Mangapehi Railway-station by a good pack-track. Messrs. Ellis and Burnand's tramway-line runs to within 15 chains of the sections. Section 6 comprises easy slopes along the road frontage covered with fern and scrub, and a small portion covered with bush on the eastern boundary. Towards the centre and western boundary the country rises by easy slopes covered with light bush. The south-western corner is steep and broken. The northern frontage consists of rather light pumiceous soil. The eastern boundary is good ploughable country with good soil in many places. Section 7 comprises pumice flats along the Mangapehi Stream covered with light manuka, running up a valley to the northern boundary and rising gently to the western and north-eastern boundaries. The land is mostly ploughable. There is a little heavy forest on Section 7, comprising chiefly rewarewa, tawa, hinau, tawhero, matai, totara, &c., with a dense undergrowth of supplejacks, mahoe, raurekau, pongas, ferns, &c. The soil on Section 7 is generally light and pumiceous, resting on rhyolite formation. The sections are well watered. Elevation ranges from 970 ft. to 1,485 ft. above sea-level.

SECOND-CLASS LAND.

4 X	612 0 0	1,080 0 0	27 0 0	21 12 0
5 "	296 0 0	520 0 0	13 0 0	10 8 0

Section 4 is situated on the Ellis Road, from which it has also a short access road. Section 5 is situated close to the Ellis Road, and access to the southern boundary is by a short connecting road. Both sections are also accessible by the Ohirea Road at their northern boundaries. Messrs. Ellis and Burnand's tramway-line passes through the south-western corner of Section 4 and within about a quarter of a mile of Section 5. Access is from Mangapehi Railway-station, from one to three miles distance by a fair level cart-road, the last quarter of a mile to Section 5 being surveyed road only. By the Ohirea Road the distance from Mangapehi is four miles and a half to five miles to the northern boundaries. Section 4 comprises high broken light bush country in the centre, falling away towards north and south